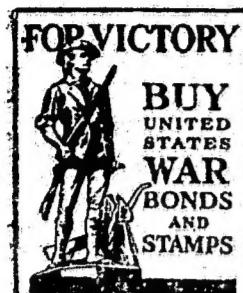


I NEVER WONDER TO SEE MEN WICKED, BUT I OFTEN WONDER NOT TO SEE THEM ASHAMED.—Swift



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GOULD MUSICAL CLUBS TO GIVE OPERETTA, "HATS OFF!"

The musical clubs of Gould Academy are preparing an entertaining operetta, "Hats Off!" to be given March 12 in the William Bingham Gymnasium. The story is concerned with the American Naval hero, John Paul Jones, and the adventures of his crew of the "Ranger" while it was docked at port during the Revolutionary War.

Cast of characters is as follows: John Paul Jones David Hawkins Lt. Richard Dale Stanley Davis Marion Anne Litchard Sylvia Priscilla Goggin Deborah Carolyn Wight Priscilla Jacqueline Leader Dame Bly Barbara Graves Anne Courtleigh Betty John Capt. Wm. Courtleigh Malcolm Brown Jimmy Gray Thomas Jacobs Capt. Landais Robert Goldermann Boodle William Rutter Red Jerry Francis Holt Happy Hawkins Lendell Nevens Ned. John Lawry Heliotrope Carol Robertson Narcissus Ida Lee Clough Two Sailors William Wright Arnold Bennett

LOCAL MEMBER OF GROUND OBSERVER CORPS ATTENDING AIRCRAFT RECOGNITION SCH.

Rev. Herbert T. Wallace left Sunday for the Portland Aircraft Recognition School, where he is undergoing a week's training, at Army expense, in aircraft recognition methods under the supervision of trained officers of the Army Air Forces.

Rev. Wallace has been a member of the local observation post since it started and has served approximately 50 hours. He is one of more than 3,000 airplane spotters approved by the Army for such instruction on the Eastern Seaboard, and will return here upon its completion to instruct other observers with material supplied by the Army.

MORE RUBBER FOR RECAPPING

Owners of tires smaller than 7.50x20 will soon be able to get their casings recapped with reclaimed rubber camelback without applying to their rationing boards or certificates. This does not relax the need for continued observance of rubber conservation measures. The change was made to reduce the demand for replacement tires by encouraging recapping, which takes less than half as much reclaimed rubber as a new war tire.

V-MAIL SAFEST

More than 50,000 individual V-mail letters from American soldiers in England to relatives and friends in the U. S. were destroyed when a Canada-bound RAF plane crashed in Newfoundland. The original letters were reproduced at the Army Postal Service's V-mail station in England and dispatched by later plane for the U. S. This incident shows the value of V-mail over ordinary letters.

Christmas in Egypt, a letter recently received from Kathryn Hick McCrodden of Istanbul, Turkey, in next week's Citizen. Mrs. Conrad Chaffin of Rumford visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Merrill, several days last week. Her husband was called for service in the Navy last week. Fred B. Merrill gave a very enlightening talk on the subject of Bank Service Charges to the members of the Bethel Chamber of Commerce at their meeting Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. F. I. French and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Saunders attended the meeting of Oxford Pomona Grange with Frederick Roble Grange at Norway Lake Tuesday. Fred F. Bean returned to his duties at the Savings Bank Tuesday after a week's illness with the flu. Town meeting Monday was the first meeting or election Mr. Bean has missed since his 21st birthday. The Bethel Victory 4-H Club will meet Saturday at 3 p. m. at the home of Lee Carver. George Merrill is chairman of the game committee and Lee Carver of the refreshment committee.

Miss Dorothy Frost of Norway spent the week end with Mrs. Winfield Howe and Mrs. Lennie Howe.

The Well Baby Conference which was to be held March 8, has been postponed on account of the illness of Mrs. Ruth Hopkins, district nurse.

Miss Muriel Hall of Lewiston visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hall, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The fire department was called out for a bad chimney fire at Mrs. Jennie Brown's at 2 o'clock this morning.

The Misses Madelyn Bld and Constance Philbrick spent the week end in North Conway enjoying the skiing in the Mt. Cranmore region.

Richard Williamson of the Merchant Marine, stationed at Sheephead Bay, Brooklyn, N. Y., is spending a nine day furlough with relatives here and at Upton.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Thurston were Mrs. Elsie Akers and Mrs. Doris Stevens of Natick, Mass. Mrs. Edmund Sweeney of Boston, and Mrs. Robert Whitman and daughter Camela of Cape Elizabeth.

FEW BETHEL VOTERS INTERESTED MONDAY; LESS MONEY RAISED

Bethel voters reached a new low in town meeting attendance Monday when only 56 ballots were cast at the morning session. Even less were present in the afternoon when the articles in the warrant were acted upon at the rate of about one a minute. This speed did not prevent explanation and discussion of several matters and all who wished no doubt expressed their opinions.

All officers were elected as shown on the specimen ballot, all veterans of several years except the new member of the School Committee, Mrs. Marguerite Bartlett of East Bethel.

Appropriations followed the recommendations of the Budget Committee, although the daily pay of the Road Commissioner fell to \$5.00 instead of the suggested \$5.50, after the motion of Warren Blake to make it \$6.00 was not seconded. The Selectmen will also receive \$6.00 a day. The pay of the Tax Collector was fixed at 1%, instead of 8 mills as had been paid for some time. The motion of Miss Cleo Russell to raise the appropriation for Superintendent's salary to \$650, was decided voted down and the recommended \$600 (the usual amount) was raised.

Furthermore, to be eligible for election each applicant must:

NAVY COLLEGE TRAINING EXAMINATIONS TO BE HELD APRIL 2

Attention is called to all young men who have attained their 17th birthday, but will not have attained their 20th birthday by July 1, 1943. Their attention is called to the Navy College Training Program, V-12. The qualifications for eligibility are as follows:

a. High school and preparatory school graduates who will have attained their 17th but not their 20th birthdays by July 1, 1943, regardless of whether they are now attending college.

b. High school and preparatory school seniors who will be graduated by July 1, 1943, provided they will have attained their 17th but not their 20th birthdays by that date.

c. Students who will have attained their 17th but not their 20th birthdays by July 1, 1943, who do not hold certificates of graduation from a secondary school but who are now continuing their education in an accredited college or university.

Jack Gill who has completed his basic training in the Navy at Newport, R. I., has received an honorable discharge because of his health.

Word has been received from Pfc. Clayton E. Bryant of Gilford that he is ill with scarlet fever in an Army Hospital near Alaska.

Pvt. Raymond Holden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Holden of Gilford, inducted on Feb. 16, has been transferred from Fort Devens, Mass., to Atlantic City, N. J. His address is Raymond N. Holden, 3319371, Group VIII, BTB-AAFTTC, Squadron C, Atlantic City, N. J.

Sgt. Charles Chapin has recently been promoted to Technical Sergeant.

Pvt. Gardiner Smith has been transferred from Chicago to Truax Field, Madison, Wis.

Sgt. Herbert Cairns is now stationed at Lake Charles, La.

John R. King has been eliminated from Cadet Flying Training through the action of the Flight Surgeon. He has been transferred temporarily to Foster Field, Tex. He still retains his former rank of Corporal. His academic and service records are reported as entirely satisfactory.

Levi F. Boulanger has completed his basic training at the Naval Training Station at Newport, R. I., and has qualified for enrollment in a Navy Motor Machinist's Mate school.

The North Newry Circle served

as dinner Monday for those who attended the town meeting.

Mrs. Erma Richardson spent Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Richardson.

Mrs. Ada Bean, who works at the home of C. W. Godwin, is ill at this writing.

Beatrice Merrill is working for Mrs. Norman Ferguson at the Hastings Farm.

The first in a series of four meetings on Home Care of the Sick will be held March 5 at 10:30 a. m. at the home of Mrs. Leon Wilson in Hanover. This meeting will be conducted by Miss Walsh under the direction of the Extension Service.

George Duran attended the funeral of his uncle, Fred Eames, Wednesday afternoon.

MRS. ANNIE JOHNSON

Mrs. Annie Lydia Mason Johnson died at Pomona, Calif., Feb. 15. She was born in Bethel June 5, 1857, the daughter of Woodsum and Anne Brackett Mason. She married Charles Johnson of Bethel who passed away July 20, 1942. They had lived in California for many years.

Mrs. Johnson was a sister of the late Mrs. Sadie Tuell of this town and is remembered by many friends here. She last visited Bethel in 1928.

She is survived by a brother, Charles Woodsum Mason; five cousins, Mrs. Eva Ghosh of Seal Beach, Calif., and Mrs. Helen Perkins, Mrs. Lulu Skillings, Mrs. Virginia Crosby and Durward Mason, all of Bethel; and several nieces.

GREENWOOD CENTER

Mrs. Mary Mills and son Blaine of Locke Mills are still with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Martin.

Colby and Carson Martin, Rowe Hill, visited Saturday with Roland and Rexford Martin.

Little Daniel Cole has been ill with a very bad cold but is much better.

Mrs. E. K. Cole visited her sister, Mrs. Mary Bennett, and Mrs. Willard Bennett on Howe Hill recently.

Mrs. R. L. Martin is a little better at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Martin and family visited at Roy Martin's Sunday.

Mr. Terence Cauldwell, Locke Mills, called at R. L. Martin's Sunday.

Many of the men working for Mr. Benson have finished the winter's job and have returned to their homes.

Chester Morey is still calling for Mr. Benson.

Rate of Tax Collections	15%
Common Schools	\$12,500.00
Secondary Schools	9,000.00
Textbooks	400.00
School Supplies	724.00
Repair of Schoolhouses	600.00
Insurance on Schoolhouses	213.75
School Physician	100.00
School Superintendent	600.00
Public Health Nursing	75.00
Roads and Bridges	3,000.00
Winter Roads	3,000.00
Bithuminous Road Surfacing	700.00
State Aid Road Const.	Pass Over
State and State Aid Maint.	1,130.00
Third Class Rd. Maint.	925.00
Pine Blister Rust Control	200.00
Maintenance of Sewers	500.00
Support of Poor	3,000.00
Town Officers	3,800.00
Abatement of Taxes	271.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Bethel Band	200.00
Advertising	Pass Over
Treasurer's Bond	35.00
Collector's Bond	20.00
Fire Expense	500.00
Civilian Defense	Pass Over
Care of Old Cemeteries	75.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,900.00
Debt Library Association	400.00
Interest	300.00
Liability Insurance	150.00
	\$44,369.40
Lost year's appropriations total	\$45,469.32

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

A Non-Partisan Editorial Review of the Events of Each Week, Illustrated

EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union news analysts, and not necessarily of this newspaper.

TUNISIAN TIMETABLE: Delayed by Rommel

General Eisenhower had had his choice of fighting decisive engagements on ground offered him by Marshal Rommel or on terrain of his own choosing. That he had preferred the latter was indicated by the fact that he was not drawn into a major battle when the Nazis pushed American troops out of the Tunisian area between Sidi Bou Zid and Gafsa into the foothills bordering Tebessa, Algeria.

While the Tunisian reverse was not a catastrophe, it was nevertheless a punishing setback that meant considerable further delay in liquidating the Axis in Africa and moving on to the vastly bigger job of galling at Europe. The situation was brightened somewhat by reports that the veteran British Eighth army had rolled up from the south and had engaged Rommel's attention.

The loss of three advance airfields and three forward positions by the American forces was costly. Superior weight and mechanical equipment, plus grueling battle experience was the explanation for the Nazi success. The new German 60-ton Mark tanks had proved too strong for the 28-ton American tanks. The Nazis, moreover, had caught the Americans with their lines too thinly held.

In Washington Secretary of War Stimson said that American forces, outnumbered and outarmed, have suffered "sharp reverses and substantial casualties."

PEACE OFFENSIVE: Axis Tries Wedge

Long expected by Allied chancellories, the Axis peace offensive finally got under way. First feelers were extended by Virgilio Gayda, Fascist editor. The next move came from Nazi Propaganda Minister Joseph Goebbels.

The theme of both Axis spokesmen was that the unprecedented Russian victories were as much a danger to Britain and America as to the Axis. Therefore why not a separate peace, so that Europe could be saved from the Bolshevik menace?

Quick to expose the spurious technique by which the enemy hoped to talk its way out of the consequences of impending defeat, was Elmer Davis, chief of the Office of War Information. "This pulls the whole matter into the open," he declared. "The Axis is trying to drive a wedge between Britain, the United States and their Allies."

BLACK MARKETS: Gangsters Reap Riches

How to combat the black markets in meat products which were skyrocketing retail prices, menacing the supply for military and lend-lease purposes and endangering the future existence of small packers was a problem that had congress as well as agricultural officials worried.

As reports persisted that gangsters had turned their unscrupulous talents into this highly profitable illegal trade, two suggestions were made by the OPA to the house small business committee, for solving the problem. One was for the government to purchase live animals. The other was for a registration of all who handle meat.

OPA investigators, it was learned, had uncovered strong indications that one-time allies of gangster chief Al Capone had been dabbling in meat, sugar and coffee. In one eastern city it was said that one-third of meat sold over retail counters had been slaughtered illegally.



A wounded U. S. soldier struck during a heavy air attack by German planes on the airfield at Souk el Arba in Algeria is shown being comforted by a comrade-in-arms. The airfield was originally captured by U. S. paratroopers.

FRENCH ARMADA: To Strengthen Allies

Heartening news that 42 French warships, in addition to the four now undergoing repairs in American shipyards, would soon be fighting on the side of the United Nations was brought out by Vice Admiral Raymond Fenard, chief of the French naval mission to the United States.

Admiral Fenard said that two more battleships, six cruisers, an aircraft carrier, seven destroyers, 14 submarines and ten auxiliary craft would join the United Nations armada "soon, but I don't know when."

The naval leader said that the cruisers *Gloire* and *Georges Leygues* already are in action against the Axis.

CANNED MEAT: Temporary Freeze

Making supplies of canned meats and canned fish last through the year was a problem causing many a headache in the Office of Food Administration. Stocks on dealers' shelves had dwindled ominously; housewives were on a buying spree. Result: the OPA suspended sales of canned salmon, tuna, shrimp, meat spreads and kindred products until at least March 28—the date on which meat rationing was expected to begin.

Meanwhile, housewives and corner grocerymen had begun to familiarize themselves with the point-rationing system governing the sale of canned fruits and vegetables, dried fruits, canned soups and canned baby foods.

Still un-rationed were fish and meat products sold in frozen form such as quick-freeze lobster, and canned products not sealed or sterilized by the use of heat. Pickled pig's feet and dried beef were examples of the latter.

RACE FOR DNEIPER: Nazis Still Menaced

Only two natural defense lines in the flat farm areas of southern Russia were left open to the Nazi armies after the victorious Russian forces had swept rapidly westward following the fall of Rostov and Kharkov. These were the Dnieper river in the central Ukraine, and behind it the Dniester river on the Rumanian border.

Even if Hitler's armies won the race to the Dnieper river and succeeded in establishing a new winter line behind its mile-wide expanse, the Nazi problems were by no means solved. The Nazi southern flank in the Crimea would be exposed and difficult to hold. The northern flank

propriating money and failing to provide method of collecting money."

Purchasing power this year, he estimated, would be 40 billion dollars in excess of goods and services available. If the public saved in the same proportion as in 1942, however, he said the gap would be shaved down to about 15 billion.

DRAFT: 'Undesirables' Next?

As it became clear that congressional sentiment was preponderantly in favor of deferring fathers and others with dependents until the supply of single men was completely exhausted, somber predictions on the future quality of draftees were made by army spokesmen.

Brig. Gen. Miller G. White warned that deferment for fathers of draft age would make it necessary for the army to induct illiterates, men with venereal diseases and "undesirables" now accepted only in limited numbers.

The rapidity with which the nation's armed forces are being built up was indicated by a statement by Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, head of the selective service system, that a total of 28,000 men per day are being taken into the army and navy at present induction rates.

STEEL CAPACITY: Millions for Stepup

Steel companies have met the wartime challenge of greater output by spending nearly a billion and a quarter of their money to increase production and efficiency since 1938, the American Iron and Steel Institute announced.

One-third of this sum was spent in the first three years of war, but after Pearl Harbor, expenditures were stepped up. From 1941 through 1943, the institute said, the industry spent or prepared to spend about \$773,000,000.

Present expansion projects will increase blast furnace capacities 20 per cent; open hearth 18 per cent; and electric furnace nearly 350 per cent.

BRITISH SHOWDOWN: On Beveridge Plan

Prime Minister Churchill's position as Britain's war leader was in no wise jeopardized, but the Labor party's vigorous protest over his government's lukewarm attitude on the Beveridge social security plan had precipitated a domestic crisis.

Labor leaders were determined to force the government to accept the Beveridge plan more fully and take steps to make it workable. The labor party had been sorely dissatisfied with what it regarded as the government's delaying tactics.

HIGHLIGHTS . . . in the week's news

WASHINGTON: Col. Bernt Balchen, New York, famous for his Arctic exploits and now a member of the army air corps, has been awarded the Soldier's medal and Oak Leaf cluster, the war department announced. Balchen participated with two navy fliers in the rescue last June of a Flying Fortress crew in Greenland that had suffered a wilderness crackup.

NEW YORK: The campus and buildings of what was formerly Hunter College in the Bronx have now been completely occupied by WAVES and SPARS who are training here at the navy's newest and largest center for these auxiliary enlisted. Capt. William F. Amerson, U.S.N., is supervising the young women's "boot" training. When enrollment is completed more than 6,000 WAVES and SPARS will be on deck. Quarters are in 13 apartment buildings near the campus which were vacated by their civilian occupants.

CANBERRA: The Australian commonwealth issued a proclamation according the United States most favored nation treatment on tariffs. This action was taken without formal request from the United States. R. V. Keane, minister of trade and customs, said: "It is wrong that our principal ally, who has given us great material assistance, should remain on the punitive general tariff."

LONDON: Britain will need at least 500,000 helpers for harvesting this year's crop and if they are not available on a voluntary basis, they will have to be conscripted. Minister of Agriculture R. S. Hudson declared. Last year, he said, Britain had 650 harvest camps and this year it is hoped there will be more than 1,000. "We want at least 300,000 school children, 50,000 older students and between 150,000 and 200,000 adults," he added. The alternative to a satisfactory harvest, he said, would be prolongation of the war and an acute food shortage.

FASTEAST PLANE: Unveiled by Navy

When the navy unveiled what was termed the "fastest airplane in the United States" at a Hartford, Conn., plane factory, it was disclosed that other models of this ship—the Vought F4U Corsair—had already been in successful action against the Japs over Munda in the South Pacific.

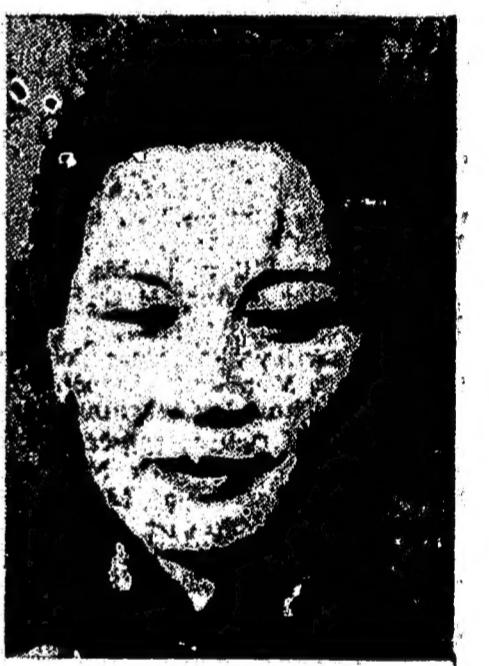
Among the "bests" claimed in the Corsair's behalf were that it has the most powerful engine of any navy fighter in the world; that it can outfight and outfly land-based aircraft in the same classification; that it can be used as an interceptor.

JAP WAR THEATER: Mme. Chiang Urges Speed

Even as Madame Chiang Kai-shek in Washington was calling for more decisive Allied blows against Japan, communiques from China revealed that the Japs had undertaken what was apparently a major effort to knock China out of the war.

The Jap offensive took the form of attacks in seven Chinese areas from above Shanghai to Yunan in the Southwest. The core of the drive had been directed along the old Burma road in Southwest Yunan.

Seeking to stir America to a greater understanding of Japan's menace to the Allies, Madame Chiang said



MME. CHIANG KAI-SHEK
Urges speedy aid to China.

It was contrary to the United Nations' interests to allow Japan "to continue not only as a potential enemy, but as a waiting sword of Damocles, ready to descend at a moment's notice."

Reports from Allied Pacific headquarters continued to reflect steady, if undramatic progress. In New Guinea, American and Australian jungle troops were pushing hard on the heels of Japs retreating from the Wau area toward Mubo on the outskirts of Salamau. In the air Liberator and Flying Fortress bombers continued attacks on Jap positions in Dutch New Guinea and New Britain.

RATION DATES:

March 13—Period 5 fuel-oil coupons, good to Sept. 30, become valid.

March 15—Last valid date for No. 11 sugar coupons, good for three pounds.

March 21—Last valid date for Stamp No. 25, good for one pound of coffee.

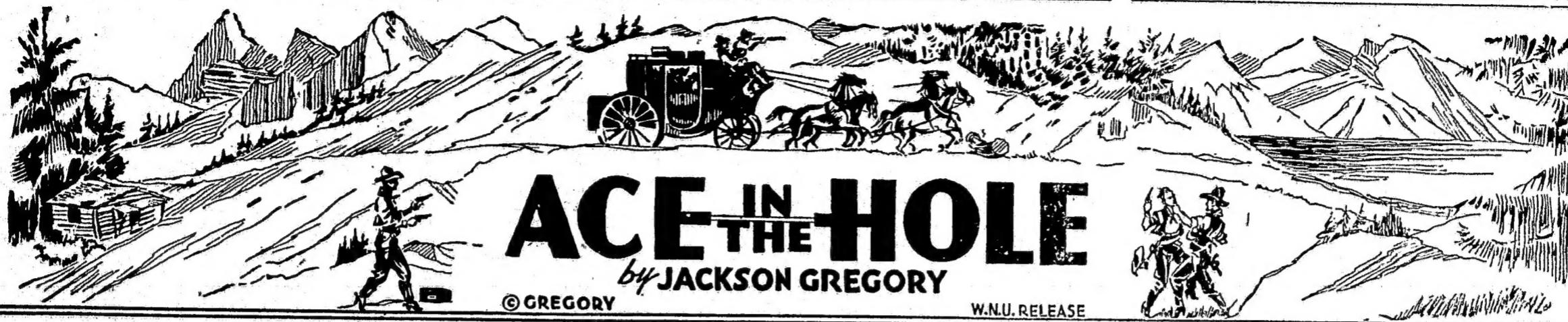
March 21—Last day on which Coupon 4 in "A" gas ration book is valid.

March 31—Final date for first inspection of passenger car tires for "A" card holders and motorcycles.

April 26—Expiration date for Period 4 fuel-oil coupons.

June 15—Last valid date for Stamp No. 17, good for one pair of shoes.

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PLANE:
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Now continue with the story.

CHAPTER VI

Porfirio snatched up his glass. "We drink together, you and me, Senor Codito! To one great gentleman! To one of the soldiers of the good God Himself! To Don Senor Early Bill Cole! To him, forever and ever, 'Salud y pesetas!' To Don Senor Early Bill Cole!"

Then Cole Cody, forgetting other things, gripped him by the thin shoulders.

"What are you talking about?" he demanded sharply. "Early Bill Cole? Of the King Cole Ranch? You say he is dead?"

"Only two days ago, Don Codito."

"But I had a letter from him, Porfirio, only a few days ago! And dead now!"

Here was news! Cole Cody stood frowning at nothing, telling himself that all along this had been a funny howdy-do: First the letter from old Early Bill, which he had been utterly unable to explain; now the violent removal of the only man who could tell him, Well, he'd go to the hotel over night, then in the morning turn tail and leave Bald Eagle and a lot of unanswered questions behind him. Along with a girl he never wanted to see again.

He lifted his glass.

"We drink together to Don Senor Early Bill Cole!" cried little Porfirio, and snatched off his hat. "The two of us together!"

Cody politely removed his own hat and the two drank together. Then, with that darting swiftness so characteristic of him, Porfirio snatched Cody's glass and tapped it gently with the hilt of his evil-looking knife, rendering it into splintered fragments. Before the bartender could bear down on him he had repeated the performance with his own glass.

"Hey, you can't do that!"

Porfirio slammed down a ten dollar gold coin.

"I pay for the glasses and for the drinks too, Senor," he said.

It was far too early for bed, so Cody and Porfirio Lopez dawdled over their supper in one of Bald Eagle's little restaurants for the better part of an hour, and thereafter set out to see the town. Cody was about to call it a night and go off to bed when he was accosted by a lean and wiry old man with mane of snowy hair and a mammoth, unpruned white mustache, with a broad and battered old black hat and sleek high-heeled boots and a long-tailed black coat. None other, in fact, than Mr. Arthur Henry Pope—the Judge.

"Mr. William Cole Cody, I believe?" he said sonorously.

"That's my name, sir," he said.

"And I, sir, am Arthur Henry Pope. I know something about you; not much, but something. I'd like a few words with you, Mr. Cody," said the Judge. "In private."

"What is it?" asked Cody.

"I have taken a room for you at the hotel where you'll want to

stay overnight. Will you step over with me?"

"I'm with a friend—"

The matter is of importance. Also of an entirely private nature—"

"Go 'long with him, Don Codito," said Porfirio, and began a discreet withdrawal. "He is a man they call the Judge here. He is all right, you will see, because they tell me he was a very good friend of Don Senor Early Bill Cole." Then Porfirio bolted, headed for the bar, again flourishing his colorful bandana.

"Certainly," agreed Cody, his curiosity now riding high, and the two went out together.

A bit earlier in the evening, the Judge and Doc Joe having a few moments together on their porch after Doc Joe had tinkered with his new patients as best he could and got them off to their beds, the Judge had been led to remark with a snort,

"Old Early Bill, confound his ornery hide, having sworn by all that was good and holy he'd get him his fun after he was dead, ought to be laughing his fool head off now!"

In his turn Doc Joe had snorted. "The fools were you and me, Judge," he growled. "Two softies, a couple of mush-hearted sissies. We ought to have stood up on our hind legs and told him to go to the devil!"

All this was because before his demise old Early Bill had instructed this precious duo, laying down the law to them and exacting their promises to carry out his bidding. If he died before his "heirs" arrived, the Judge and Doc Joe were to look out for the two, and were to tell them just as much as Early Bill wanted told, not a single syllable more. Doc Joe was to explain matters to the girls, the Judge was to do likewise for young Cody. And they were not unduly to stick their noses into subsequent happenings. "Let nature take its course!" old King Cole had chuckled.

And now the Judge and Doc Joe, having in due course learned that both Cole Cody and Ann Lee were on the stage, were faithfully if irreverently carrying out orders.

Thus, while Doc Joe was expounding to a round-eyed, breathless girl and her quietly attentive Aunt Jenifer in one room of the Bald Eagle Hotel, the Judge was letting head and ears of the cat out of the bag for the astounding of William Cole Cody in another room.

"And that's the way of it," concluded Doc Joe, glad to be at the end of the crazy business, and opened a carpet-bag at his feet, took from it an old iron box from which long ago the black paint had scaled, and set it down on Miss Ann Lee's knees.

"But—but—" the girl sputtered. "I can't understand it! This Mr. Early Bill Cole you are talking about—Why, I don't know him! I never saw him even, in my life! I never heard of him! Of course, Doctor, there is some mistake. It must be some other girl—some other girl, maybe, named Lee. Maybe even named—"

"There may be a lot of mistakes in this whole deal," the old doctor grunted, "but that's not one of them. You're the girl all right—Say, haven't you got the key?"

"The key! Why, of course I have!" She jumped up, the box in her hands, and ran to the walnut bureau; she pulled and tugged until she got the top-slid top drawer open and extracted her purse. "Here is the key! He sent it to me with a letter that made me terribly curious, saying some things, half-saying some, leaving out the things I was dying to know!"

The Judge rather liked him for that.

"That would be old Early Bill for you," said Doc Joe tartly. "And I reckon that's the key all right. You might try it."

She got the key in one of the locks. It fitted! It turned easily.

"It is the right key!" she exclaimed, and tried it in the other lock. She withdrew the key, looked at it, stooped over the box again, tossing her head impatiently to throw the hair back from falling over her eyes. "Something's the matter with the crazy thing," she said, baffled. "Will you try it, Doc-tor?"

He shook his head. "No use, Miss Ann. One thing I didn't tell you, Your key fits only one of the two locks. There's another key. It—ahem—it's being kept by someone else. A man that old Early Bill trusted it to. You can't open your box until he shows up."

"Why, isn't that funny! Who is this man? Is he here in Bald Eagle?"

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Upon its gentle knoll, its white-washed adobe walls a snowy, gleaming white in the distance under the eastern sun, the old Casa of the Estradas, the home for many a year of Bill Cole of King Cole Ranch, was like an alabaster palace out of a fairy tale.

The low, massive building was surrounded by a wall akin in construction to itself, a wall of adobe, white-washed, topped with warm red tiles. Ann Lee, leading the way, her carpet-bag containing the precious iron box caught tight under her arm, threw open a gate and hurried along one of the paths radiating from the old home. And Aunt Jenifer, her cheeks almost as pink as

forbidding. But that was only because all the shades had been drawn down and it was dark in here after the sunshine outside. He said pleasantly, "Just a second and we'll have some light in," and went to one window after another flipping up the shades. The sunlight streamed in joyously; of a sudden, with the dark put to flight, it became a genial and friendly room.

And now they could see Rance Waldron clearly.

"I am Ann Lee and this is my Aunt, Miss Jenifer Edwards. We had an invitation from—from Mr. William Cole to visit him here. We got to Bald Eagle only last night and now—Well," and she too smiled faintly, "here we are!"

"I am taking care of things right now," he said. "I was lucky to get here just before my uncle died."

"Your uncle?" spoke up Aunt Jenifer. "Old Bill Cole was your uncle?"

Rance made a little deprecatory gesture.

"I've always called him that," he said easily. "Not an uncle exactly, but related. I am, I believe, his next of kin; his only kinsman, in fact. I am Rance Waldron; my mother and the old man were cousins. It's because of that," and he lifted his broad shoulders in the hint of a shrug, "that I am staying on here. Unless there is a will, and I don't believe he ever made a will, I suppose I am the next owner here."

At the mention of a will, Ann's lips were parted to speak up, but by the time he had added a final clause she had become conscious of Aunt Jenifer's eyes stabbing warningly at her.

Aunt Jenifer said, "It's a mighty nice place out here. He wanted us to visit him for a while. We've come a long way, too, over a hundred miles. We got to town last night on the stage."

What she was driving at was obvious enough, and there didn't seem very much he could do about it. Had it just been the older woman alone, Rance Waldron might have been the man for putting her out bodily; his eyes, however, quitted her face while she was still speaking and drifted, openly admiring, to Ann's. He said with a semblance of heartiness,

"Well, the thing that counts is that you're here now! And I am glad that I happened to be on hand to welcome you in my uncle's place. And I'll bet you haven't even had breakfast yet. I know I haven't."

"Will you show me the way to the kitchen?" asked Aunt Jenifer. "I'll be glad to get breakfast for you."

"Say, that's great!" said Rance. He showed them the kitchen, a room big enough for a barn, with an enormous cook stove which Early Bill had had installed here many a year ago and which had had scant use for a dozen years, and there were ample provisions.

"Now," said Aunt Jenifer, sleeves rolled back on a pair of pretty, white arms and a clean sugar sack pinned about her waist, "you can skedaddle and I'll call you when things are ready."

"Fair enough," said Rance. "I'll go clean up a speck; haven't even washed my face or combed my hair yet!" And he hurried away; they heard his boots echoing through the big rooms with their bare floors and few scatter rugs; they heard a door close, then, from some farther room, another door.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

"You take mighty good care of that box, Miss Ann," he said hurriedly. When will he give me the other key?"

Doc Joe was already edging toward the door.

"You take mighty good care of that box, Miss Ann," he said hurriedly. "Just you remember that it's worth a power of money! The whole King Cole Ranch is in there—and a heap of gold and greenbacks besides! Just you take mighty good care of it, Miss Ann. And now, good night to you, Miss. And to you also, Miss Jenifer," he said, and ducked out and fled.

And in that other room under the same roof the Judge had finished imparting to young Cody all the facts in the case which he had been authorized to make fairly clear. Cody had heard him out in silence, his eyes dark between narrowed lids, his face stilled to expressionlessness. And when the Judge, too, grew silent Cody still sat on a moment or two, pondering.

"Hello, who's there?" And then, without awaiting an answer, "Wait a shake: I'll be right out."

They had to wait more than a minute.

At long last they heard a heavy bar let down, and the door opened slowly only a dozen inches or so. A tall young man looked out at them.

"Good morning, ladies! This is a surprise! You're twice as welcome as the birds in spring. Come in, won't you?"

They entered just a trifle hesitantly, the house was so dark and, at the moment, somehow sinister and

western newspaper union

WEEKLY SERIAL INSTALLMENT

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The Rumford Citizen, 1906

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Carl L. Brown, Publisher

THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1943

BRYANT POND

Mrs. Inez Whitman, Correspondent

Bryant Pond Branch, Southern
Oxford Red Cross Chapter, started
its War Fund Drive March 1 with
Mrs. Abby Dudley as chairman.
Captains are Mrs. Jessie Andrews,
Mrs. Cleo Billings, and Mrs. Ruth
Tyler. Solicitors are Mrs. Ann
Jordan, Mrs. Miriam McAllister,
Mrs. Verna Swan, Mrs. Esther
Dunlap, Mrs. Beatrice Farnum,
Mrs. Ismay Hathaway, Mrs. Florence
Bean, Mrs. Alice Dudley, Walter
Appleby Sr., Walter Appleby
Jr., 4-H Club, South Woodstock.

Judith Grover Tent, No. 17, D.
of U. V. met Tuesday night, Feb.
23, at the home of Mrs. Inez Whitman
with 11 members present. It
was voted to give \$5.60 to the
National Committee of National Defense
to be presented to the American
Red Cross to help in the orga-
nization of a disaster unit which
will be fully equipped to be sent
into devastated areas and alleviate
suffering. It was also voted to
give \$5.00 to the local Chapter of
the Red Cross. Judith Grover Tent
has already bought three War Sav-
ings Bonds. After the regular
meeting a Washington program
was given. Readings on Washington
by Misses Clara Whitman and
Arlene Swan. Refreshments were
served after the meeting.

A very interesting and helpful
Farm Bureau meeting was held
Thursday, Feb. 25, at the home
of Mrs. Annie Morgan with a good
attendance. A hot meal was served
at noon. Mrs. Sadie Lakeway,
clothing leader, had charge of the
subject, A Stitch in Time, explaining
and demonstrating clearly dif-
ferent kinds of patches and also
the care, conservation and storage
of clothing. It was voted to send
the chairman, Mrs. Alice Dudley,
as a delegate to Farm and Home
Week at Orono March 23. A meet-
ing on the subject of Button Holes
and the Pattern Box will be held
on March 10 at the home of Mrs.
Cleo Billings with each member
taking a lunch and hot drink to be
served by the hostess.

Rev. Franklin Koechliwetter of
Georgetown, Maine, preached a
fine sermon at the Baptist Church
last Sunday at 10:30. He was ac-
companied by Mrs. Koechliwetter.
They took dinner at the home of
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Newton.

Mrs. Lulu Davis, who has been
sick with the flu and complications
has returned to her work
at the post office. Mrs. Marion
Morgan worked in her place.

J. Everett Howe has enlisted
and is with the ground mechanic
force at the Portland airport. Mrs.
Howe went with him and they will
live in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Robbins are
caring for the Howe children. Mrs.
Robbins is an aunt of Mrs. Howe.

Mrs. Lotta Hemingway, who has
been ill with the flu, is gaining
slowly.

Miss Velma Cummings, who
works in Auburn, has been the
guest of her father, Aubrey Cum-
mings, and grandparents, Mr. and
Mrs. George Cummings for a few
days.

Miss Barbara Cole daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cole, who
completed her course at the Uni-
versity of Maine last month, has
accepted a position as assistant
director of young girls at the Mar-
ginal Street Center, East Boston.

Miss Yerda DaVee of Boston is
the guest of her mother, Mrs. Car-
rie DaVee. Mrs. Harriett Farnum
of South Portland spent the week
end with her mother, Mrs. DaVee,
and her daughter, Miss Gertrude
Farnum, who came up on a visit
and has the chicken pox.

The town meeting was held Mon-
day at the Gymnasium, not a very
large turnout. Franklin Grange
furnished dinner at the Grange
Hall in charge of the Home and
Community Welfare Committee.

WARRANT FOR CORPORATION MEETING

To D. Grover Brooks, Clerk of Bethel Village Corporation,
County of Oxford, State of Maine.

Greeting:— In the name of the State of Maine, you are
hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said
Corporation, in Bethel, qualified to vote in Corporation af-
fairs to meet in the Corporation Building, situated in Dis-
trict No. 15, on the 8th day of March, A. D. 1943, at half
past seven o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on
the following articles, to-wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said
meeting.

Article 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To hear and act on the report of the Assessors, Tax Collector, Engineers, Treasurer.

Article 4. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To choose a method of collecting taxes for the
ensuing year and to establish the price to be paid therefor.

Article 7. To choose a Tax Collector for the ensuing
year.

Article 8. To choose three Fire Engineers for the
ensuing year.

Article 9. To choose one member of the Park Commis-
sion for three years.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise for the employment of Police or
night watchman for the ensuing year.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise for the care of Parks, and for
the removing of dead limbs from trees over village streets
for the ensuing year.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise to pay the members of the Fire
Department for the ensuing year.

Article 13. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise to pay the Bethel Water Com-
pany for the use of hydrants for the ensuing year.

Article 14. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise to pay for lighting the Streets
for the ensuing year.

Article 15. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise for the Hose Fund for the
ensuing year.

Article 16. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise for the use, and care, of a Dump
for the ensuing year.

Article 17. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise for the extermination of the
Gypsy Moth for the ensuing year.

Article 18. To see if the Corporation will vote to pay
for the bonds of the Treasurer and Tax Collector.

Article 19. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise for maintenance of a public
Skating Rink for the ensuing year.

Article 20. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise for Miscellaneous expenses for
the ensuing year.

Article 21. To see what sum of money the Corporation
will vote to grant and raise to take care of Abatements as
made by the Assessors for the year ending March 8, 1943.

Article 22. To see if the Corporation will vote to sell
the Corporation building and lot, known as the Lower Hose
House, situated on the west side of Main Street, and auth-
orize the Assessors and Treasurer of said Corporation to
sell and convey said building and lot to such persons and for
such price and upon such terms as said Assessors and
Treasurer in their judgment and discretion may determine
or the best interest of the Corporation and to execute in
behalf of the inhabitants of said Corporation such deed or
other instrument of conveyance as may be required to com-
plete such sale and conveyance.

Article 23. To see if the Corporation for the purpose of
securing a temporary loan to, and for the use of, the Bethel
Village Corporation to pay indebtedness of said Corpora-
tion due and to become due during the present municipal
year or the same to be paid out of money raised by taxation
during the present municipal year, will authorize and direct
the Treasurer to borrow from time to time a sum or sums of
money not exceeding \$4,000 and to execute and deliver the
order or notes of the Corporation therefor signed by it
and countersigned by the Assessors of the Corpora-
tion.

Article 24. To see if the Corporation will vote to author-
ize the Assessors and Treasurer of said Corporation to sell
and convey real estate owned by the Corporation under
Tax Deeds or Tax Lien to such persons and for such prices
and upon such terms as said Assessors and Treasurer in
their judgment and discretion may determine for the best
interest of the Corporation and to execute in behalf of the
inhabitants of said Corporation such deed or other instru-
ments of conveyance as may be required to complete such
sales and conveyance.

Article 25. To act upon any other business that may
nearly come before the meeting.

If so, fail not, and have you there this warrant with
your doings thereon.

Given under our hands this twenty-fourth day of Feb-
ruary, A. D. 1943.

HAROLD CHAMBERLIN
ARTHUR F. FOGG
NORMAN H. HALL
Assessors of Bethel Village Corporation

ROWE HILL

Glen Martin and family visited
at Greenwood Center Sunday.
Carson and Colby Martin visited
Roland and Rex Martin Saturday.

Mrs. Margaret Bryant was in
South Paris Tuesday last week and
at Locke Mills, Wednesday.

Albert Russ hauled pulp to Rum-
ford for Wilmer Bryant Saturday.

Mr. Heckler hauled pulp for Lam-
ont Brooks Saturday and for
Ernest Brooks Tuesday and Wed-
nesday this week.

Visitors at Lewis Libby's Sunday
were Mr. and Mrs. George Hopkins
of Bryant Pond, Edwin and Mabel
Libby of Bethel.

Wilmer Bryant, Lamont and Ernest
Brooks attended town meeting at
Locke Mills Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hanscom of
Locke Mills spent the week end at
Newton Bryant's. Mr. and Mrs.
Durward Lang and son Merle were
callers there Sunday.

The children are having a week's
vacation from their school at
Locke Mills.

Mrs. Ida Allen has been visiting
her daughter, Mrs. Lee Sumner,
the past week.

W. W. Jenkins and party from
Rumford were fishing on Indian
Pond Saturday.

ALBANY TOWN HOUSE —
and vicinity
Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Correspondent

Pvt. Harry Logan, from Camp
Breckinridge, Ky., was making
calls in this vicinity the first of
the week.

Alden Wilson is working with his
tractor for Fred Littlefield, haul-
ing wood off the mountain.

There were five present at the
Church service, which was con-
ducted by Mr. Bull at the Town
House Sunday afternoon.

Miss Ruth Bumpus has been ill
the past week with a bad cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Hall and
family from Freeport spent the
week end at Fred Littlefield's.

Mrs. Christine Rich and son
William of Bethel spent Monday
at her mother's, Mrs. Laura Pink-
ham's.

GREENWOOD TUBBS DISTRICT

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Kangas and
Mrs. Bessie Ring were in Norway
one day last week on business.
Grammie Yates took care of the
children.

The Greenwood Farm Bureau
met at the home of Mrs. Idella
Morgan Feb. 24. The subject was
A Stitch in Time, in charge of Mrs.
Morgan. A box lunch was enjoyed
at noon, coffee served by the hos-
tess. Many mending and patching
ideas were learned. Twelve mem-
bers were present. The next meet-
ing will be with Mrs. Nestor Tam-
minen, March 30. Nutrition No. 2,
"Meal Planning," in charge of
Mrs. Tamminen.

The Tubbs school closed Thurs-
day noon, Feb. 25, for a 10 day
vacation.

Rationing for Book No. 2 was
held at the school house Thursday
afternoon and all day Friday of
last week.

The community had a box supper
at the school house Friday even-
ing, Feb. 26, for the benefit of the
Red Cross. \$12 was made.

MIDDLE INTERVALE

The Farm Bureau met with Mrs.
Foster Thursday. The subject was
A Stitch in Time. We had a good
attendance, a very nice dinner
and a number of patches were
made.

Miss Frances Carter, Mrs. Bes-
sie Soule, Mr. and Mrs. Edward
Stanley and son came from out of
town to attend Ossian Stanley's
funeral Friday.

We are all glad Fred Stanley's
little boy is better.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere
appreciation for the beautiful flor-
al tributes and the many kindnesses
extended by the neighbors dur-
ing our recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stanley
and Family

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stanley
and Family

Mary C. Stanley

Mrs. M. E. Soule

BRYANT'S MARKET

- FRI. SAT. SPECIALS -

IGA Evaporated
MILK 3 tall cans 29c

Texas Seedless
GRAPEFRUIT 3 for 19c

IGA
BISCUIT FLOUR 40 oz. 28c

Florida
PINEAPPLE ORANGES 34c

IGA Brand
SOAP GRAINS 2 lg. pkgs. 37c

P. E. I.
TURNIPS 1b. 4c

RINSO 2 lge. pkgs. 45c

Michigan
ONIONS 2 lbs. 14c

OXYDOL 2 lge. pkgs. 45c

IGA
FLOUR 24½ lb. bag \$1.19

Sally May
BEAUTY SOAP bar 5c

PurA Snow
FLOUR 24½ lb. bag \$1.29

SPRY 3 lb. can 73c

CRISCO 3 lb. jar 73c

Diamond Budded
WALNUTS lb. 35c

IGA Gelatin Dessert
JELL-IT 3 pkgs. 17c

IGA
ALL-BRAN lge. pkg. 19c

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IGA SLICED
16 PINEAPPLE No. 2 cn. 25c

SUPERBA No. 2 can 15c

IGA CRUSHED
16 PINEAPPLE No. 2 cn. 24c

PURITAN Pea, Y. E. or R. H. 15c

IGA
No. 2 can
14 PINEAPPLE JUICE 17c

BAKED BEANS 28 oz. 22c

DOLE'S 47 oz. can
32 PINEAPPLE JUICE 42c

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3 tall cans 29c

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bar 5c

3 lb. can 73c

lb. 35c

EYE FOODS
IN STOCK

NED ITEM

No. 2 can 15c

, Y. E. or R. K.

NS 28 oz. 22c

Style

No. 2 can 14c

EAS can 16c

No. 2 can 14c

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No. 2 can 12c

ard

No. 2½ can. 16c

ICE 20 oz. 10c

ICE 46 oz. 24c

No. 2 can 14c

BEANS 14c

3 cans

SOUP 25c

THURSDAY

ORES

GILEAD

Clifford Cole has been confined to his home by illness.
Miss Grace Taylor and brother Albert spent the week end with friends in Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Taylor are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Feb. 27.

Mrs. Alton Joudrey and daughters of Gorham, N. H., are guests of her brother, Russell Cole, and wife.

Mrs. Alice Taylor is assisting in the home of Mrs. Florence Holden.

Mrs. Hilda Donahue was a guest of friends in town Monday.

John McBride of Shelburne, N. H., has been spending a few days at his home here.

Mrs. Florence Holden spent the week end in Shelburne, N. H., the guest of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Carl C. Richardson.

Jeffery Losier and family of Berlin, N. H., were guests of his mother, Mrs. Larry Losier, Sunday

Glynn Witter, youngest son of Mrs. Harrlette Witter, passed his army examination at Portland last Friday and leaves for Fort Devens next Friday.

Leo Witter of Portland spent the week end at his home here.

John Leighton spent the week end in Gorham, N. H.

Miss Louise Plunkett is enjoying her vacation at her home in Bridgton.

NOTICE OF LOST BANK BOOK
Notice is hereby given that the Bethel Savings Bank has been notified that book of deposit issued by said bank and numbered 6561 has been destroyed or lost and it is desired that a new book of deposit be issued.

BETHEL SAVINGS BANK
By Fred F. Bean, Treas.
11 Bethel, Maine

SOUTH WOODSTOCK

Deferred
Mrs. Emil Heikkinen has been spending several days with her daughter Helvi at Waltham, Mass.

Harlan Redding, who has been in poor health for some time, is at the Boston clinic for observation.

Sgt. Carlton Gammon, who is stationed in New Jersey, is spending a 10 days furlough at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Hendrickson.

Stanley Andrews and James Packard are ill with the grip.

Alva Hendrickson is making a good recovery at St. Marie's Hospital, Lewiston, following surgery and is expected to be able to return home within a few days.

SOUTH ALBANY

Ernest Wentworth spent the week end at home.

John Spinney is cutting pulp for Preston Flint.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wardwell were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Farnham and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wardwell and Viola Kimball were in North Waterville on business last Friday, were in Norway one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wentworth Little Vida Wentworth has been visiting her grandmother, Lula Wentworth, at Bridgton.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wardwell and Joseph Pechnik were in Norway recently on business.

Hugh Stearns is yarding pulp and logs for Roy Wardwell.

Harry Chaplin is working for George Wentworth.

Mrs. Gordon Farnham and daughters, Alice and Leatrice, are spending the week with her sister, Alice Wardwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wardwell attended Ponoma Grange at Norway Lake Tuesday.

Hugh Stearns is much improved in health.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either

of the Estates hereinafter named
At a Probate Court, held at Paris

in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-three, from day to day from the third

Tuesday of said February. The following matters having been presented for the action therupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said

County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to hold at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of March, A. D. 1943, at 10 of the clock in the forenoon and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Fred H. Evans, late of Paris, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Mildred E. Wescott as administratrix of the estate of said

deceased with bond, presented by Mildred E. Wescott who brings the petition for Bernice E. Evans, a minor and heir of said deceased.

Fred Hapgood, late of Bethel, deceased; Eighth and final account presented for allowance by Mildred Hapgood Lyon, who was conservator of said deceased.

Fred Hapgood, late of Bethel, deceased; Will and petition for the appointment of Mildred Hapgood Lyon as administratrix C. T. A. without bond, presented by Mildred Hapgood Lyon, a niece of said deceased.

Leon G. Widber, of Bethel, ward

first and final account presented for allowance by Ernest F. Bisbee Conservator.

Witness, Albert J. Stearns, Judge

of said Court at Paris, this third

Tuesday of February in the year

of our Lord one thousand nine

hundred and forty-three.

10 EARL R. CLIFFORD, Register.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives no-
tice that he has been duly appoint-
ed Adm'r. of the estate of Leon G.

Widber late of Bethel in the county

of Oxford, deceased, and given

bonds as the law directs. All per-

sons having demands against the

estate of said deceased are desired

to present the same for settlement

and all indebted thereto are re-

quested to make payment imme-
diately.

ERNEST F. BISBEE

Feb. 16, 1943 Bethel, Maine

EAST BETHEL

School closed Thursday noon for a 10 day vacation. Mrs. Hastings, Mrs. Newmarker, Mrs. Leona Curtis and Mrs. Howe were at the school house Thursday afternoon and Friday to register people for Ration Book II.

Warren Hastings fell on the ice Friday afternoon and hurt his head, causing a concussion which made him sick for several hours.

Sunday school was at John Howe's. Next Sunday it will be held at Urban Bartlett's.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Haines and family have moved from Locke Mills into the A. M. Bean house and Mr. Haines is employed by G. K. Hastings & Sons. E. W. Dutton has gone from the Bean place to stay a few weeks with Mrs. Doris Kimball.

Mrs. Helen Newmarker and daughter Ann went to Westbrook Friday to spend their vacation.

Mrs. Doris Kimball went to Five Islands Friday, returning home Saturday with her son, Mellen Kimball, and family who remained here until Sunday afternoon.

Malcolm Farwell was home from Rumford Point over the week end. Charles Reed and S. B. Newton were in Rumford Monday. From there Mr. Reed went to Farmington to visit his daughter, Mrs. Cuyler Hutchinson, and family for a short time. Clayton Swan of Locke Mills is spending this week with his grandmother, Mrs. Charles Reed.

The families of W. S. Hastings and Fred Haines have been ill with colds or flu the past week.

The cattle of Lewis Smith, Urban Bartlett and Guy Bartlett have been ill the past week with a mild form of the distemper.

B. W. Kimball went to Lewiston Tuesday for two weeks before going to Dorchester, Mass., to visit his daughter, Mrs. O. W. Fales.

The Grange supper scheduled for this Friday night, March 5, has been postponed to March 19.

HANOVER

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Barker entertained at cards Friday evening the guests being Mr. and Mrs. George Cole and Mr. and Mrs. Irving Cole of Rumford Point and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Saunders. Delicious refreshments were served.

First prizes were won by George Cole and Mrs. Saunders.

Mrs. Miriam Cole is Librarian for the month of April. One book was donated by Mrs. Barker and Mrs. Saunders Thursday, "The Robe," by Lloyd Douglas.

Town meeting in Hanover was held Monday afternoon with a small attendance.

UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Correspondent

Pvt. Richard Williamson is visiting his family here while on a nine day furlough.

The Misses Etta and Viola Barnett and Bessie Casey were home from Rumford over the week end.

Miss Annie Barnett spent a few days in Rumford last week.

The County 4-H Club leader met with the 4-H girls at the home of the local leader Mrs. Roland Bernier Tuesday of this week.

There was no school in the Juniper High the first of this week because of sickness in the home of Mrs. Holt, the teacher.

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10 EARL R. CLIFFORD, Register.

P. R. BURNS'

RED & WHITE STORE

FRI.-SAT. Specials

FLORIDA SEEDLESS

ORANGES doz. 39c

SEEDLESS LARGE

GRAPEFRUIT 3 for 25c

CRISP ICEBERG

LETTUCE head 14c

RED RIPE

TOMATOES 1 lb. pkg. 29c

SUPER SPUDS FANCY

POTATOES 10 lb. bag 51c

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Influence
No star ever rose or set without influence somewhere.—Meredith.

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sign of a COLD**
666 TABLETS,
SALVE,
NOSE DROPS,
COUGH DROPS.

Try "Rub-My-Tise"—a Wonderful Liniment

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Hope is the dream of the waking man.—Pliny, the Elder.

**To relieve distress of MONTHLY
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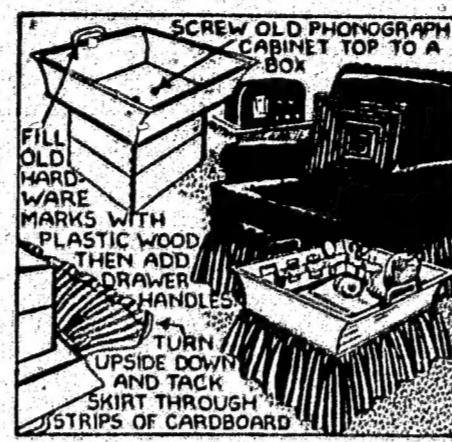
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The Questions

1. What is a fanion?
2. What is the plural of index?
3. In the western hemisphere what country ranks next to the United States in population?
4. Is steam visible?
5. What is the second longest river in the world?
6. What is in the clay from which bricks are made to make them red?
7. What is the only state in the United States bounded by one state?
8. In the army what is a "walkie-talkie"?
9. What is another name for the coastal region of a country?
10. What is the difference between Mosaic and mosaic?

The Answers

1. A small banner.
2. Indices.
3. Brazil.
4. No. What we see is steam condensed into water by contact with the colder air.
5. Nile.
6. Iron.
7. Maine.

8. A 28-pound, short range radio transmitting and receiving set packed on the back of one man.

9. Littoral.
10. Mosaic—Pertaining to Moses, the Hebrew leader and lawgiver; mosaic—a design made by inlaying small pieces of glass or stone of various colors.

Our Monroe Doctrine

In the days of President Monroe there was considerable apprehension that European interests might so interfere with South American states as to menace the security of the U. S. So Monroe declared that, in the American continents, any attempt to exploit any territory for European colonization would be held an unfriendly act.

Spain was the country directly concerned, because of the South American Spanish colonies that had revolted. It was feared that Spain might transfer her claims to a "Stronger Power."

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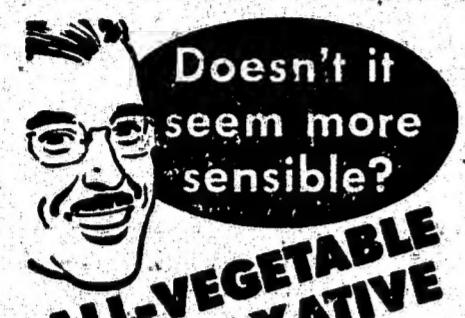
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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers

Fish Is Flavorful

One very direct and effective way of meeting the meat shortage is by serving fish in its many delectable ways. Few families have been initiated into the many ways of preparation for fish, few know how succulent are their steaks when baked, or how tart and crisp are fillets when fried.

Bones have been removed from many types of fish so this need concern the cook little. If they have not already been removed, this can be done easily since they are usually together.

French Fried Fish Fillets.

Desired number and kind of fish fillets

1 egg, well beaten with 1 tablespoon water

Crumbs, corn meal, flour or potato meal

Salt and pepper

Salad oil for frying

Wash fillets in cold water, drain on absorbent paper. Sprinkle with salt and pepper; dip first in dry coating—(crumbs or other if preferred), then in egg mixture and again in dry coating. Place in deep salad oil—(375 to 385 degrees)—or hot enough to brown a 1-inch cube of bread in 40 to 50 seconds.

Fish is good when baked—especially with tomatoes and green pepper:

Baked Whitefish, Creole.

(Serves 5 to 6)

2½ pounds whitefish, cleaned and boned

Salt and pepper

3 tablespoons butter

1 small onion, chopped

½ cup green pepper, chopped

1 tablespoon flour

1½ cups tomato soup

½ teaspoon salt

½ teaspoon worcestershire sauce

Place fish in greased baking dish, skin side down. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and brush with one tablespoon of the melted butter. Bake in a moderately hot oven (400 degrees) for 15 minutes. Melt 2 tablespoons of butter in saucepan and add chopped onion and green pepper. Simmer five minutes. Add flour and blend thoroughly. Then add tomato soup, salt and worcestershire sauce. Cook until mixture thickens, then pour it over the partially baked whitefish. Return to oven for 20 minutes more or until fish flakes easily.

Lynn Says:

Sauces for Fish They're a must with fish because they make it most delicious dish. You'll like browned butter with lemon juice and worcestershire sauce. Or, just cream the butter and season with lemon juice.

Horseradish is popular with fish. Take ½ cup drained, prepared horseradish, season with salt and pepper and one tablespoon vinegar, then fold in ½ cup of whipped cream.

Tartar is not just another name for sauce, it's an affinity with fish fillets. Make it by adding 1 teaspoon minced onion, 2 teaspoons chopped, sweet pickle, 1 teaspoon chopped green olives, and 1 tablespoon vinegar to ½ cup mayonnaise.

Make a cup of medium-thick white sauce and add to this ½ cup grated cheese and let the cheese melt. Or, 2 chopped, hard-boiled eggs added to white sauce, make a golden crown for baked or fried fish.

This Week's Menu

— *Baked Whitefish, Creole
Parsleyed Potatoes Broccoli
Watercress and Endive Salad
Oatmeal Bread Butter
Breaded Grapefruit Beverage
*Recipe Given

Halibut is another good, substantial dish. Mild in flavor, it needs a tart sauce to pick up its delicate flavors:

Halibut Steaks.

Have center cut slices of halibut steak cut one inch thick, salt and pepper them and dredge lightly with flour. Fry to a light brown in butter. Remove to a platter and cover with sliced sauteed mushrooms, using about a pound for 2 steaks. Over this pour the following sauce:

Stew 1 No. 2 can of tomatoes with 1 cup of chopped celery, ½ cup green pepper and 1 large chopped onion. When vegetables are tender, run all through a coarse sieve. Into this melt ¼ pound of grated cheese, 1 tablespoon of butter, and salt and pepper to taste. Heat fish thoroughly in oven and just before serving sprinkle with cheese and run under flame to brown.

There's distinction in salmon when it's combined with discreet seasoning—lemon juice and tomato:

Baked Salmon Slices.
Salmon cut in individual servings
2 tablespoons oil
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
1 onion
1 tomato
½ teaspoon salt
Bacon strips

Brush slices of fish on both sides with the oil. Place in a baking dish, sprinkle with the lemon juice, salt and pepper. Then lay a thin slice of onion on each piece. Cover onion with a ¼-inch slice of tomato and top with a strip of bacon cut in two. Place in moderate oven (350 degrees) for 45 minutes.

Salmon Fondue.

(Serves 6)

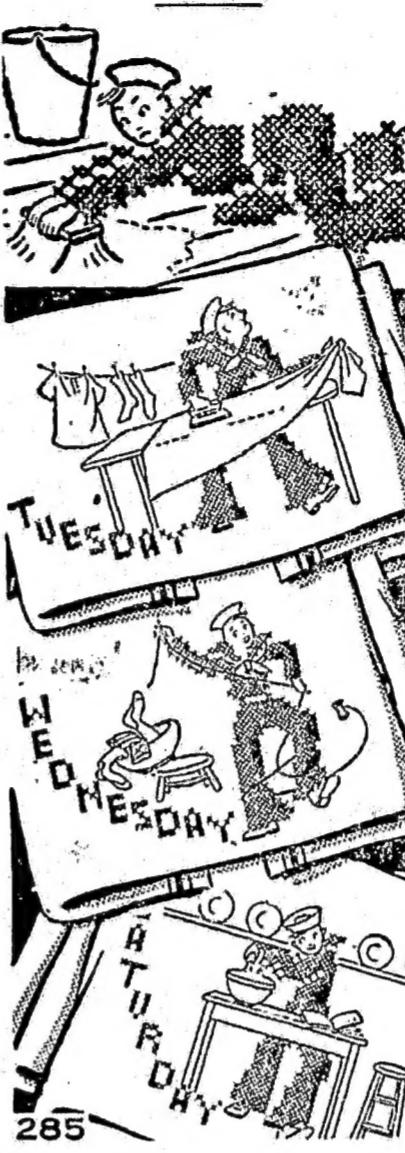
5 slices bread
1 cup milk
2 tablespoons butter
1 cup flaked, cooked salmon
3 eggs, separated
½ teaspoon salt
½ cup grated American cheese

Trim crusts from bread and cut into ½-inch cubes. Heat milk in double boiler, add bread cubes, butter, liquid from salmon, and well-beaten egg yolks. Season with salt and cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Remove from heat and stir in cheese. Cool for 10 to 15 minutes. Beat egg whites stiff and fold into mixture. Pour into greased baking dish. Place dish in pan of warm water and bake in a moderate (350-degree) oven for 1 hour or until a knife when inserted comes out clean.

Note: Chopped shrimp, flaked tuna or minced clams or oysters may be used in place of the salmon.

Cake Making? Bread Making? Cookie Baking? Budget Fixing? Housekeeping? You name the problem and explain it. Miss Lynn Chambers will be glad to give you expert advice if you write to her, enclosing a self-addressed, stamped envelope for your reply, at Western Newspaper Union, 210 South Desplaines Street, Chicago, Ill. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

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Overloading and over-inflation are two rubber-wearing practices most common with motor truck operators.

Plantation rubber had its beginning in 1876 when Henry Wickham had planted in the Kew Botanic Gardens in London some of the 7,000 Hevea brasiliensis seeds he had smuggled out of the jungles of Brazil. A few years later trees were transplanted to the Far East.

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